

**ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT PROGRAM-  
SURFACE WATERS:**

**FIELD OPERATIONS AND METHODS FOR MEASURING THE  
ECOLOGICAL CONDITION OF WADEABLE STREAMS**

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## **APPENDIX C**

### **FIELD DATA FORMS**

Copies of field data forms are arranged according the general order of their use at each stream site:

1. Verification Form
2. Sample Collection Form
3. Field Measurement Form
4. Channel/Riparian Cross-Section & Thalweg Profile Form
5. Slope and Bearing Form
6. Vertebrate Collection Form
7. Vertebrate Length Recording Form
8. Rapid Habitat Assessment Form (Riffle/Run Prevalent)
9. Rapid Habitat Assessment Form (Pool/Glide Prevalent)
10. Assessment Form

Electronic versions of the forms may be available through the EMAP-Surface Waters Technical Director, U.S. EPA, 200 SW 35th St, Corvallis, OR 97333.

**VERIFICATION FORM - STREAMS/RIVERS**

SITE NAME:

DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

**STREAM/RIVER VERIFICATION INFORMATION**STREAM/RIVER VERIFIED BY (X all that apply) : ☐ GPS ☐ LOCAL CONTACT ☐ SIGNS ☐ ROADS ☐ TOPO. MAP☐ OTHER (DESCRIBE HERE):☐ NOT VERIFIED (EXPLAIN IN COMMENTS)

COORDINATES	LATITUDE (dd mm ss) North	LONGITUDE (ddd mm ss) West	TYPE OF GPS FIX	Are GPS Coordinates w/i 10 Sec. of map?
MAP:	"     '     "	"     '     "	<input type="checkbox"/> 2D	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
GPS:	"     '     "	"     '     "	<input type="checkbox"/> 3D	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

**INDEX SITE STATUS - X ONE BOX FROM ONE SECTION ONLY****SAMPLEABLE**☐ REGULAR - WADEABLE☐ REGULAR - NOT WADEABLE☐ INTERMITTENT - DRY SPOTS ALONG REACH☐ DRY - No WATER ANYWHERE ALONG REACH☐ ALTERED - STREAM/RIVER PRESENT BUT NOT AS ON MAP☐ OTHER (EXPLAIN IN COMMENTS)**NON-SAMPLEABLE (NO SAMPLE TAKEN)**☐ NO CHANNEL OR WATERBODY PRESENT☐ IMPOUNDED (UNDERNEATH LAKE/POND)☐ WETLAND (NO DEFINABLE CHANNEL)**NO ACCESS**☐ ACCESS PERMISSION DENIED☐ INACCESSIBLE (UNABLE TO REACH SITE)**DIRECTIONS TO STREAM/RIVER SITE****GENERAL COMMENTS**

Reviewed by (initial): \_\_\_\_\_

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RECORD INFORMATION USED TO DEFINE LENGTH OF REACH, AND SKETCH GENERAL FEATURES OF REACH ON REVERSE SIDE.

**VERIFICATION FORM - STREAMS/RIVERS (continued)**

SITE NAME:

DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

**STREAM/RIVER REACH DETERMINATION**CHANNEL WIDTH USED TO DEFINE  
REACH (M) (XX):

DISTANCE (M) FROM X-SITE

UPSTREAM LENGTH

DOWNSTREAM LENGTH

COMMENT

ARROW  
INDICATES  
NORTH

# SAMPLE COLLECTION FORM - STREAMS

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:    /    /    VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

## COMPOSITE BENTHOS SAMPLES

SAMPLE ID (BARCODE)	HABITAT (X ONE)		No. OF JARS	FLAG	COMMENTS
	R	P			
_____					
_____					

STATION	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
RIFFLE OR POOL - (X ONE) 6		GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	
		GP	GP	GP	GP	GP	GP	GP	GP	GP	
LEFT, CENTER, OR RIGHT - (X ONE) 6		GL	GL	GL	GL	GL	GL	GL	GL	GL	
		Gc	Gc	Gc	Gc	Gc	Gc	Gc	Gc	Gc	
		GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	GR	

COMPOSITE PERIPHYTON SAMPLES			HABITAT TYPE (X) 6	G RIFFLE	G POOL	G OTHER
SAMPLE ID (BARCODE) 6	_____		COMPOSITE VOLUME 6	_____	_____	_____ ML

ASSEMBLAGE ID (50-ML TUBE)	CHLOROPHYLL (GF/F FILTER)	BIOMASS (TARED FILTER)		APA SAMPLE (50-ML TUBE)
SUB. SAMPLE VOL.	VOL. FILTERED	FILTER NO.	VOL. FILTERED	SUB. SAMPLE VOL.
_____ ML	_____ ML		_____ ML	_____ ML

COMPOSITE PERIPHYTON SAMPLES			HABITAT TYPE (X) 6	G RIFFLE	G POOL	G OTHER
SAMPLE ID (BARCODE) 6	_____		COMPOSITE VOLUME 6	_____	_____	_____ ML

ASSEMBLAGE ID (50-ML TUBE)	CHLOROPHYLL (GF/F FILTER)	BIOMASS (TARED FILTER)		APA SAMPLE (50-ML TUBE)
SUB. SAMPLE VOL.	VOL. FILTERED	FILTER NO.	VOL. FILTERED	SUB. SAMPLE VOL.
_____ ML	_____ ML		_____ ML	_____ ML

COMMENTS:

Reviewed by (initial): \_\_\_\_\_

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Flag codes: K= Sample not collected; U= Suspect sample; F1, F2, etc.= misc. flag assigned by field crew. Explain all flags in Comment sections.

**SAMPLE COLLECTION FORM - STREAMS (continued)**

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7  
G8**CHEMISTRY AND MICROBIAL WATER SAMPLE (Chem: 4-L Cubitainer and 2 Syringes, Micro: Glass Bottle)**

	SAMPLE ID (BARCODE)	TRANSECT	FLAG	COMMENTS
CHEMISTRY	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____

**SEDIMENT TOXICITY SAMPLES**

SAMPLE ID (BARCODE)	FLAG	COMMENTS
_____	_____	_____

**FISH TISSUE SAMPLES - PRIMARY SAMPLE (min. 50g total wgt)**

SAMPLE ID (BARCODE) 6 _____				
LINE	SPECIES CODE	COMMON NAME	NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	FLAG
P1	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____

IS COMPOSITE SAMPLE COMPOSED OF INDIVIDUALS COLLECTED FROM THROUGHOUT REACH? (X) 6

G YES G NO

IF NO, EXPLAIN:

\_\_\_\_\_

**FISH TISSUE SAMPLES - SECONDARY SAMPLE (where available; 5 individuals)**

SAMPLE ID (BARCODE) 6 _____				
LINE	SPECIES CODE	COMMON NAME	TOTAL LENGTH (MM)	FLAG
S1	_____	_____	_____	_____
S2	_____	_____	_____	_____
S3	_____	_____	_____	_____
S4	_____	_____	_____	_____
S5	_____	_____	_____	_____

IS COMPOSITE SAMPLE COMPOSED OF INDIVIDUALS COLLECTED FROM THROUGHOUT REACH? (X) 6

G YES G NO

IF NO, EXPLAIN:

\_\_\_\_\_

LINE	COMMENT OR FLAG EXPLANATION FOR FISH TISSUE
	_____
	_____



Reviewed by (initial): \_\_\_\_\_

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Flag codes: K= Sample not collected; U= Suspect sample; F1, F2, etc.= misc. flag assigned by field crew. Explain all flags in Comments sections.

## FIELD MEASUREMENT FORM - STREAMS/RIVERS

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

## WEATHER CONDITIONS (X)

CLOUD COVER	G < 5%	G 5-25%	G 25-50%	G 50-75%	G >75%
PRECIPITATION	G NONE	G LIGHT	G MODERATE	G HEAVY	
PREVIOUS PRECIPITATION (24 H)	G NONE	G LIGHT	G MODERATE	G HEAVY	
AIR TEMPERATURE XX	_____ °C				

## IN SITU MEASUREMENTS

STATION ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Assume X-site unless marked

		FLAG	COMMENTS
QCCS COND $\mu$ S/CM	_____		
STREAM/RIVER COND $\mu$ S/CM	_____		
STREAM/RIVER DO MG/L	_____ . _____		
STREAM/RIVER TEMP °C	_____ . _____		

## STREAM/RIVER METABOLISM DETERMINATION

INITIAL O <sub>2</sub> (MG/L)	INITIAL INCUBATION TEMP. (°C)	INCUBATION TIME (24-Hr Time)		DURATION OF INCUBATION (HH:MM)	FLAG	COMMENTS
		START (HH:MM)	FINISH (HH:MM)			
_____ . _____	_____ . _____	_____ : _____	_____ : _____	_____ : _____		

SAMPLE ID (BARCODE)	FINAL O <sub>2</sub> (MG/L)	FLAG	COMMENTS
_____	_____ . _____		
_____	_____ . _____		
_____	_____ . _____		
_____	_____ . _____		
_____	_____ . _____		
_____	_____ . _____		

## OXYGEN METER CALIBRATION INFORMATION

MEMBRANE CHECK **G** ELECTRONIC ZERO **G** RED LINE: **G**CALIBRATION CHAMBER TEMPERATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ °C SATURATED O<sub>2</sub> @ TEMP.: \_\_\_\_\_ MG/LSTATION ELEVATION (FROM TOPO. MAP OR ALTIMETER): \_\_\_\_\_ FT ELEVATION CORRECTION FACTOR: **x**

The calibration value is obtained by multiplying the saturated DO concentration times an elevation correction factor (obtained from the tables on the back of the YSI meter). CALIBRATION VALUE: \_\_\_\_\_ MG/L

Adjust the meter reading to the calibration value. COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by (initial): \_\_\_\_\_

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**FIELD MEASUREMENT FORM - STREAMS (continued)**

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7  
G8**STREAM DISCHARGE****G VELOCITY AREA****G TIMED FILLING**

	DIST. FROM BANK (CM)	VELOCITY (FT/S) XX.X	DEPTH (FEET) XX.X	FLAG	REPEAT	VOL. (L) XX.X	TIME (S)	FLAG
1	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		1	_____ . ____		
2	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		2	_____ . ____		
3	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		3	_____ . ____		
4	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		4	_____ . ____		
5	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		5	_____ . ____		
6	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		<b>G NEUTRALLY BUOYANT OBJECT</b>			
7	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____					
8	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____					
9	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____					
10	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____					
					MEASUREMENT	Cross Section		
						ONE	TWO	THREE
11	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		WIDTH (m)	_____ . ____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____
12	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		DEPTH 1 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
13	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		DEPTH 2 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
14	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		DEPTH 3 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
15	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		DEPTH 4 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
16	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		DEPTH 5 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
17	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		FLOAT DISTANCE (m)	_____	_____	_____
18	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____					
19	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____		FLOAT TIME (s)	_____	_____	_____
20	_____	_____ . ____	_____ . ____					

FLAG	COMMENTS

Reviewed by (initial): \_\_\_\_\_

Flag Codes: K = no measurement or observation made; U = suspect measurement or observation; Q = unacceptable QC check associated with measurement; F1, F2, etc. = miscellaneous flags assigned by each field crew. Explain all flags in comments section.

## FIELD MEASUREMENT FORM - STREAMS (continued)

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

## STREAM DISCHARGE

**G** VELOCITY AREA**G** TIMED FILLING

	DIST. FROM BANK (CM)	VELOCITY (M/S) XX.X	DEPTH (CM) XX.X	FLAG	REPEAT	VOL. (L) XX.X	TIME (S)	FLAG
1	_____	____.____	_____		1	____.____		
2	_____	____.____	_____		2	____.____		
3	_____	____.____	_____		3	____.____		
4	_____	____.____	_____		4	____.____		
5	_____	____.____	_____		5	____.____		
6	_____	____.____	_____		<b>G</b> NEUTRALLY BUOYANT OBJECT			
7	_____	____.____	_____					
8	_____	____.____	_____					
9	_____	____.____	_____					
10	_____	____.____	_____					
					MEASUREMENT	Cross Section		
						ONE	TWO	THREE
11	_____	____.____	_____		WIDTH (m)	____.____	____.____	____.____
12	_____	____.____	_____		DEPTH 1 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
13	_____	____.____	_____		DEPTH 2 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
14	_____	____.____	_____		DEPTH 3 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
15	_____	____.____	_____		DEPTH 4 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
16	_____	____.____	_____		DEPTH 5 (cm)	_____	_____	_____
17	_____	____.____	_____		FLOAT DISTANCE (m)			
18	_____	____.____	_____			_____	_____	_____
19	_____	____.____	_____		FLOAT TIME (s)			
20	_____	____.____	_____			_____	_____	_____

FLAG	COMMENTS

Flag Codes: K = no measurement or observation made; U = suspect measurement or observation; Q = unacceptable QC check associated with measurement; F1, F2, etc. = miscellaneous flags assigned by each field crew. Explain all flags in comments section.

**PHab: CHANNEL/RIPARIAN CROSS-SECTION & THALWEG PROFILE FORM - STREAMS**

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: / /

VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM ID(X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

TRANSECT(X): GA GB GC GD GE GF GG GH GI GJ GK

I. SUBSTRATE CROSS-SECTIONAL INFORMATION					
LOC.	DIST LB XX.XX m	DEPTH XXX cm	SIZE CLASS CODE	EMBED. 0-100%	FLAG
LFT	___ . ___	___	___	___	
LCTR	___ . ___	___	___	___	
CTR	___ . ___	___	___	___	
RCTR	___ . ___	___	___	___	
RGT	___ . ___	___	___	___	
SUBSTRATE SIZE CLASS CODES					

III. FISH COVER/ OTHER	COVER IN-CHANNEL					
	0 = ABSENT ( 0% ) 1 = SPARSE ( < 10% ) 2 = MODERATE ( 10 - 40% ) 3 = HEAVY ( 40 - 75% ) 4 = VERY HEAVY ( > 75% )					
	(X ONE)					
	0	1	2	3	4	FLAG
FILAMENTOUS ALGAE						
MICROPHYTES						
WOODY DEBRIS > 0.3 m (BIG)						
BRUSH/WOODY DEBRIS < 0.3 m (SMALL)						
OVERHANGING VEG. # 1 m of SURFACE						
UNDERCUT BANKS						
BOULDERS						
ARTIFICIAL STRUCTURES						

II. BANK MEASUREMENTS			
LOCATION	BANK ANGLE 0-360°	UNDERCUT DIST. (m) X.XX	FLAG
LEFT	___ °	___ . ___	
RIGHT	___ °	___ . ___	
WETTED WIDTH		___ . ___ m	
BAR WIDTH		___ . ___ m	
BANKFULL WIDTH		___ . ___ m	
BANKFULL HEIGHT		___ . ___ m	
INCISED HEIGHT		___ . ___ m	

IV. CANOPY COVER MEASUREMENTS					
DENSIMETER (0 TO 17 MAX)					
	FLAG				FLAG
CENUP	___		CENR	___	
CENL	___		LFT	___	
CENDIN	___		RGT	___	

Flag Codes: **K** = no measurement made;  
**U** = suspect measurement; **F1**, **F2**, ect. =  
 misc. flags assigned by each field crew.  
 Explain all flags in comments section

V. VISUAL RIPARIAN ESTIMATES	LEFT BANK					RIGHT BANK					FLAG
RIPARIAN VEGETATION COVER  0 = ABSENT ( 0% ) 1 = SPARSE ( < 10% ) 2 = MODERATE ( 10 - 40% ) 3 = HEAVY ( 40 - 75% ) 4 = VERY HEAVY ( > 75% )	0	1	2	3	4	0	1	2	3	4	
CANOPY (> 5 m HIGH)											
VEGETATION TYPE (D, C, M, or N)											
BIG TREES (TRUNK > 0.3 m DBH)											
SMALL TREES (TRUNK < 0.3 m DBH)											
UNDERSTORY (0.5 TO 5 m HIGH)											
VEGETATION TYPE (D, C, M, or N)											
WOODY SHRUBS & SAPLINGS											
NON-WOODY HERBS, GRASSES, & FORBS											
GROUND COVER (< 0.5 m HIGH)											
WOODY SHRUBS & SEEDLINGS											
NON-WOODY HERBS, GRASSES, & FORBS											
BARREN, BARE DIRT OR CLIFF											
HUMAN INFLUENCE	0 = NOT PRESENT, C = WITHIN 10 m,					P = > 10 m B = ON BANK					FLAG
WALL/DIKE/RETMENT/RIPRAP/DAM											
BUILDINGS											
PAVEMENT											
ROAD/RAILROAD											
PIPES (INLET/OUTLET)											
LANDFILL/TRASH											
PARK/LAWN											
ROW CROPS											
PASTURE/RANGE/PAY FIELD											
LOADING OPERATIONS											
MINING ACTIVITY											

# PHab: THALWEG PROFILE & WOODY DEBRIS FORM - STREAMS

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_\_

SITE ID: MAIA97-\_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

TRANSECT(X): GA-B GB-C GC-D GD-E GE-F GF-G GG-H GH-I GI-J GJ-K

THALWEG PROFILE						Increment (m) 6			COMMENTS	
STATION	THALWEG DEPTH (cm) (XXX)	WETTED WIDTH (m) (XX.X)	BAR WIDTH <sup>1</sup>		SOFT/SMALL SEDIMENT (X FOR YES)	CHANNEL UNIT CODE	POOL FORM CODE	SIDE CHANNEL (X FOR YES)		FLAG
			X	(XX.X)						
0										
1										
2										
3										
4										
5										
6										
7										
8										
9										
10										
11										
12										
13										
14										

LARGE WOODY DEBRIS (\$ 10 cm SMALL END DIAMETER. ; \$ 1.5 m LENGTH) - TALLY EACH PIECE -						
DIAMETER LARGE END	PIECES ALL/PART IN BANKFULL CHANNEL			PIECES BRIDGE ABOVE BANKFULL CHANNEL		
	LENGTH 1.5 - 5 m	5 - 15 m	> 15 m	LENGTH 1.5 - 5 m	5 - 15 m	> 15 m
0.1 to <0.3 m						
0.3 - 0.6 m						
0.6 - 0.8 m						
> 0.8 m						

CHANNEL UNIT CODES	
PP	Pool, Pledge
PT	Pool, Trench
PL	Pool, Lateral Scour
PB	Pool, Backwater
PD	Pool, Impoundment
GL	Glide
RI	Riffle
RA	Rapid
CA	Cascade
FA	Falls
DR	Dry Channel

POOL FORM CODES	
N	Not a pool
W	Large Woody Debris
R	Rootwad
B	Boulder or bedrock
F	Unknown, fluvial
O	Other (note in comments)

FLAG	COMMENTS

Flag Codes: K = no measurement made; U = suspect measurement; F1, F2, etc. = miscellaneous flags assigned by each field crew. Explain all flags in comments. 1 = Measure Bar Width at Station 0 and

Mid-Station (5 or 7). X small column if bar present at the rest of the stations.

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**PHab: SLOPE AND BEARING FORM - STREAMS**

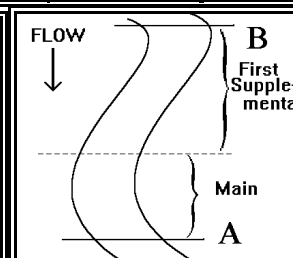
NOTE: ON BACK SIDE OF THIS FORM IS THE TORRENT EVIDENCE ASSESSMENT FORM !

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

TRANSECT	MAIN			FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL			SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL			FLAG
	SLOPE	BEARING 0 - 360	PROPOR- TION	SLOPE	BEARING 0 - 360	PROPOR- TION	SLOPE	BEARING 0 - 360	PROPOR- TION	
A 7 B	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
B 7 C	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
C 7 D	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
D 7 E	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
E 7 F	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
F 7 G	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
G 7 H	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
H 7 I	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
I 7 J	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		
J 7 K	____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		____ . ____ %	____ °		

FLAG	COMMENTS





## VERTEBRATE COLLECTION FORM - STREAMS/RIVERS (continued)

Page \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

DATE:     /     /

VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_

Sample ID (Barcode) 6 \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

ID BY (NAME): \_\_\_\_\_

TRANSECT(X): GA-B GB-C GC-D GD-E GE-F GF-G GG-H GH-I GI-J GJ-K G ALL (stream)

## SPECIMENS (continued)

TAG NO.	SPECIES CODE	COMMON NAME	TOTAL NUMBER		VOUCHERED COUNT	LENGTH (mm)		ANOMALIES		NUMBER OF MORTALITIES	FLAG
			TALLY	COUNT		MIN.	MAX.	CODE	COUNT		

FLAG

COMMENTS



**RAPID HABITAT ASSESSMENT FORM: RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE - STREAMS**

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:     /     / 97 VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_\_

SITE ID: M A I A 97 - \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

TOTAL SCORE		CATEGORY			
HABITAT PARAMETER		OPTIMAL	SUB-OPTIMAL	MARGINAL	POOR
1. INSTREAM COVER (FISH)		Greater than 50% mix of boulder, cobble, submerged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat.	30 to 50% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; adequate habitat.	10 to 30% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; habitat availability is less than desirable.	Less than 10% of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.
SCORE:		20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
2. EPIFAUNAL SUBSTRATE		Well-developed riffle and run; riffle is as wide as stream and its length extends two times the width of stream; abundance of cobble.	Riffle is as wide as stream, but is less than two times width; abundance of cobble; boulders and gravel common.	Run area may be lacking; reduced riffle area that does not extend across entire cross section and is less than two times the width; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble present.	Riffles or run virtually non-existent; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble lacking.
SCORE:		20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
3. EMBEDDEDNESS		Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are between 0 and 25% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are between 25 and 50% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are between 50 and 75% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are over 75% surrounded by fine sediment.
SCORE:		20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
4. VELOCITY/DEPTH REGIMES		All four velocity regimes are present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).	Only three of the four habitat types are present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if other regimes are missing).	Only two of the four habitat types are present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score low).	Dominated by one velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).
SCORE:		20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
5. CHANNEL ALTERATION		No channelization of dredging present..	Some channelization is present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.	New embankments are present on both banks; and 40 to 80% of the stream reach is channelized and disrupted.	Banks shored with gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach is channelized and disrupted.
SCORE:		20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
6. SEDIMENT DEPOSITION		Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom is affected by sediment deposition.	Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from coarse gravel; 5 to 30% of the bottom is affected; slight deposition in pools.	Moderate deposition of new gravel or coarse sand on old and new bars; 30 to 50% of the bottom is affected; sediment deposits at obstructions, constrictions, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.	Heavy deposits of fine material; increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom is changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.
SCORE:		20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0

**RAPID HABITAT ASSESSMENT FORM: RIFFLE/RUN - STREAMS (continued)**

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

HABITAT PARAMETER	CATEGORY			
	OPTIMAL	SUB-OPTIMAL	MARGINAL	POOR
<b>7. FREQUENCY OF RIFFLES</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Occurrence of riffles is relatively frequent; the distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 5 to 7; variety of habitat.	Occurrence of riffles is infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 7 to 15.	Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.	Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is greater than 25.
	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>8. CHANNEL FLOW STATUS</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Water reaches the base of both banks and a minimal area of channel substrate is exposed.	Water fills more than 75% of the available channel; or less than 25% of the channel substrate is exposed.	Water fill 25 to 75% of the available channel; and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.	Very little water in channel, and mostly present as standing pools.
	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>9. CONDITION OF BANKS</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.	Banks moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.	Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.	Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60 to 100% of bank has erosional scars.
	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>10. BANK VEGETATIVE PROTECTION</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	More than 90% of the stream bank surfaces are covered by vegetation.	70 to 90% of the stream bank surfaces are covered by vegetation.	50 to 70% of the stream bank surfaces are covered by vegetation.	Less than 50% of the stream bank surfaces are covered by vegetation.
	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>11. GRAZING OR OTHER DISRUPTIVE PRESSURE</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing is minimal or not evident; almost all plants are allowed to grow naturally.	Disruption is evident but is not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.	Disruption is obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation are common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.	Disruption of stream bank vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.
	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>12. RIPARIAN VEGETATION ZONE WIDTH (LEAST BUFFERED SIDE)</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Width of riparian zone is greater than 18 m; human activities (i.e.; parking lots, roadbeds, clearcuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted this zone.	Zone width is between 12 and 18 m; human activities have only minimally impacted this zone.	Zone width is between 6 and 12 m; human activities have impacted the zone a great deal.	Width of zone is less than 6 m; little or no riparian vegetation due to man-induced activities.
	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0

RAPID HABITAT ASSESSMENT FORM: GLIDE/POOL PREVALENCE - STREAMS																					
SITE NAME: _____					DATE:     /     /		VISIT: G1 G2 ____														
SITE ID: _____ - _____					TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7																
TOTAL	CATEGORY																				
HABITAT PARAMETER																					
	OPTIMAL		SUB-OPTIMAL			MARGINAL			POOR												
1. INSTREAM COVER	Greater than 50% mix of snags, submerged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat; rubble or gravel may be present.		30 to 50% mix of stable habitat; adequate habitat for maintenance of populations.			10 to 30% mix of stable habitat; habitat availability is less than desirable.			Less than 10% stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.												
SCORE: _____	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
2. EPIFAUNAL SUBSTRATE	Preferred benthic substrate (to be sampled) is abundant throughout stream site and at a stage to allow for full colonization potential (i.e.; logs and snags that are <u>not</u> new fall and <u>not</u> transient).		Substrate is common but is not prevalent nor well-suited for full colonization potential.			Substrate frequently disturbed or removed.			Substrate is unstable or lacking.												
SCORE: _____	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
3. POOL SUBSTRATE CHARACTERIZATION	Mixture of substrate materials, with gravel and firm sand prevalent; root mats and submerged vegetation are common.		Mixture of soft sand, mud, or clay; mud may be dominant; some root mats and submerged vegetation are present			All mud or clay or sand bottom; little or no root mat; no submerged vegetation.			Hard-pan clay or bedrock; no root mat or vegetation.												
SCORE: _____	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
4. POOL VARIABILITY	Even mix of large-shallow, large-deep, small-shallow, and small-deep pools are present.		The majority of pools are large and deep; very few shallow.			Shallow pools much more prevalent than deep pools.			Majority of pools are small-shallow or pools are absent.												
SCORE: _____	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
5. CHANNEL ALTERATION	No channelization or dredging present.		Some channelization is present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e.; dredging (greater than past			New embankments are present on both banks; channelization may be extensive, usually in urban areas or drainage areas of			Extensive channelization; banks shored with gabion or cement; heavily urbanized areas; instream habitat greatly altered or removed												
SCORE: _____	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
6. SEDIMENT DEPOSITION	Less than 20% of the bottom is affected; minor accumulation of fine and coarse material at snags and submerged		20 to 50% affected; moderate accumulation; substantial sediment movement only during major storm events; some new increase in bar			50 to 80% affected; major deposition; pools shallow and heavily silted; embankments may be present on both banks;			Channelized; mud, silt, and/or sand in braided or non-braided channels; pools almost absent due to deposition.												
SCORE: _____	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

**RAPID HABITAT ASSESSMENT FORM: GLIDE/POOL- STREAMS (continued)**

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE:     /     /     VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7

HABITAT PARAMETER	CATEGORY			
	OPTIMAL	SUB-OPTIMAL	MARGINAL	POOR
<b>7. CHANNEL SINUOSITY</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	The bends in the stream increase the stream length 3 to 4 times longer than if it was in a straight line.  20 19 18 17 16	The bends in the stream increase the stream length 2 to 3 times longer than if it was in a straight line.  15 14 13 12 11	The bends in the stream increase the stream length between 1 and 2 times longer than if it was in a straight line.  10 9 8 7 6	Channel is straight; waterway has been channelized for a long distance.  5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>8. CHANNEL FLOW STATUS</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Water reaches the base of both lower banks and a minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.  20 19 18 17 16	Water fills more than 75% of the available channel; or less than 25% of the channel substrate is exposed.  15 14 13 12 11	Water fills 25 to 75% of the available channel and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.  10 9 8 7 6	Very little water in channel, and mostly present as standing pools.  5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>9. CONDITION OF BANKS</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.  20 19 18 17 16	Banks moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.  15 14 13 12 11	Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.  10 9 8 7 6	Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; side slopes 60 to 100% of bank has erosional  5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>10. BANK VEGETATIVE PROTECTION</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Over 90% of the stream bank surfaces is covered by vegetation.  20 19 18 17 16	70 to 90% of the stream bank surfaces is covered by vegetation.  15 14 13 12 11	50 to 70% of the stream bank surfaces is covered by vegetation.  10 9 8 7 6	Less than 50% of the stream bank surfaces are covered by vegetation.  5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>11. GRAZING OR OTHER DISRUPTIVE PRESSURE</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Vegetative disruption minimal or not evident; almost all plants are allowed to grow naturally.  20 19 18 17 16	Disruption is evident but is not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.  15 14 13 12 11	Disruption is obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation are common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.  10 9 8 7 6	Disruption of stream bank vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.  5 4 3 2 1 0
<b>12. RIPARIAN VEGETATION ZONE WIDTH (LEAST BUFFERED SIDE)</b>  SCORE: <input type="text"/>	Width of riparian zone is greater than 18 meters; human activities (i.e.; parking lots, roadbeds, clearcuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted this zone.  20 19 18 17 16	Width of riparian zone is between 12 and 18 meters; human activities have only minimally impacted this zone.  15 14 13 12 11	Width of riparian zone is between 6 and 12 meters; human activities have impacted the zone a great deal.  10 9 8 7 6	Width of riparian zone is less than 6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.  5 4 3 2 1 0



**ASSESSMENT FORM - STREAMS/RIVERS**

SITE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ VISIT: G1 G2 \_\_\_\_

SITE ID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM ID (X): G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7 G8

**WATERSHED ACTIVITIES AND DISTURBANCES OBSERVED** (INTENSITY: BLANK=NOT OBSERVED, L=LOW, M=MODERATE, H=HEAVY)

RESIDENTIAL				RECREATIONAL				AGRICULTURAL				INDUSTRIAL				STREAM MANAGEMENT			
L	M	H		L	M	H		L	M	H		L	M	H		L	M	H	
			RESIDENCES				PARKS, CAMPGROUNDS				CROPLAND				INDUSTRIAL				LIMING
			MAINTAINED LAWNS				PRIMITIVE PARKS, CAMPING				PASTURE				MINES/QUARRIES				DRINKING WATER TREATMENT
			CONSTRUCTION				TRASH/LITTER				LIVESTOCK USE				OIL/GAS WELLS				ANGLING PRESSURE
			PIPES, DRAINS				SURFACE FILMS, SCUMS, OR SLICKS				ORCHARDS				POWER PLANTS				DREDGING
			DUMPING								POULTRY				LOGGING				CHANNELIZATION
			ROADS								IRRIGATION PUMPS				EVIDENCE OF FIRE				WATER LEVEL FLUCTUATIONS
			BRIDGE/CULVERTS												ODORS				FISH STOCKING
															COMMERCIAL				DAMS

**REACH CHARACTERISTICS (percent of reach)**

FOREST	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
SHRUB	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
GRASS	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
WETLAND	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
BARE GROUND	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
MACROPHYTES	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
AGRICULTURE - ROW CROP	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
AGRICULTURE - GRAZING	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
LOGGING	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
DEVELOPMENT (RESIDENTIAL & URBAN)	G RARE (< 5%)	G SPARSE (5 TO 25%)	G MODERATE (25 TO 75%)	G EXTENSIVE (> 75%)
WATER CLARITY	G CLEAR	G MURKY	G HIGHLY TURBID	G STORM INFLUENCED

**WATERBODY CHARACTER (X ONE)**

PRISTINE	G 5	G 4	G 3	G 2	G 1	HIGHLY
APPEALING	G 5	G 4	G 3	G 2	G 1	UNAPPEALING

**GENERAL ASSESSMENT** (wildlife, vegetation diversity, forest age class (0-25 yrs, 25-75 yrs, >75))


**LOCAL ANECDOTAL INFORMATION:**


## ASSESSMENT FORM - STREAMS/RIVERS (continued)

**SITE NAME:**

DATE:     /     /     VISIT: ~~G1~~ ~~G2~~

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